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Antelope Valley California Poppy Reserve Visitor Center Open

...But Flower Growth This Year is Limited, So Far.

Lancaster – On March 23 the visitor center at the Poppy Reserve will open to the public.

Visitors will be able to walk on 8 miles of trails through the reserve wildflowers. Docent led tours are available on the weekends. Volunteers staff the center to answer questions and hand out trail maps with the best flower locations.

Unfortunately, due to little rain and cold temperatures there are very few poppies blooming currently at the reserve. Please call the WILDFLOWER HOTLINE at (661) 724-1180 for the weekly updated report on the poppy bloom at the reserve.

If we receive additional rain the peak bloom may happen in mid to late April this year.

The Poppy Reserve is located 15 miles west of Lancaster on avenue "I" / Lancaster Road.

For further information see our website: www.calparksmojave.com.

